

[Letter from Duncan Emrich to Woody Guthrie, April 12, 1946]

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Mr. Woody Guthrie 3520 Mermaid Avenue Brooklyn 24, N.Y.

Dear Woody:

I am very glad to know that you like Washington and the Library of Congress, the Archive and the Recording Laboratory. Your material would be recorded both on microfilm and on discs if you have material to be microfilmed. We would like you and your wife and Cathy to spend some time in the Recording Laboratory singing and doing a good job of it. We don't have any funds and so I hope that your current royalty from commercial records will pay for your trip. We will give you duplicates of your records and put you on our list so that you and Cathy and Marjorie will be enshrined for posterity. In order that we can prepare a budget on the recording cost, can you let us know approximately how many records you think we will use recording, 10, 20, 50?

Love to Cathy.

Sincerely yours, Duncan Emrich Chief, Archive of American Folk Song

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